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11	WILHELMINA E. HOWARD,	Case No.: 2:14-cv-01211-GMN-GWF
12	Plaintiff,	STIPULATION AND PROPOSED ORDER FOR THE AWARD AND
13	vs. )	PAYMENT OF ATTORNEY FEES AND EXPENSES PURSUANT TO
14	NANCY A. BERRYHILL, Acting (Commissioner of Social Security, (Commissioner of Social Security, (Commissioner of Social Security)	THE EQUAL ACCESS TO JUSTICE ACT, 28 U.S.C. § 2412(d) AND
15	Defendant.	COSTS PURSUANT TO 28 U.S.C. § 1920
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17	TO THE HONORABLE GEORGE FOLEY, MAGISTRATE JUDGE OF	
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19	THE DISTRICT COURT:	
20	IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED, by and between the parties through their	
21	undersigned counsel, subject to the approval of the Court, that Wilhelmina E.	
22	Howard be awarded attorney fees in the amount of Three Thousand, One Hundred	
23	dollars (\$3,100.00). This amount represents compensation for all legal services	
24	rendered on behalf of Plaintiff by counsel in connection with this civil action, in	
	accordance with 28 U.S.C. §§ 1920; 2412(d).	
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1 After the Court issues an order for EAJA fees to Wilhelmina E. Howard, the 2 government will consider the matter of Wilhelmina E. Howard's assignment of 3 EAJA fees to Marc V. Kalagian. The retainer agreement containing the 4 assignment is attached as exhibit 1. Pursuant to Astrue v. Ratliff, 130 S.Ct. 2521, 5 2529 (2010), the ability to honor the assignment will depend on whether the fees are subject to any offset allowed under the United States Department of the 7 Treasury's Offset Program. After the order for EAJA fees is entered, the 8 government will determine whether they are subject to any offset. 9 Fees shall be made payable to Wilhelmina E. Howard, but if the Department 10 of the Treasury determines that Wilhelmina E. Howard does not owe a federal 11 debt, then the government shall cause the payment of fees, expenses and costs to 12

be made directly to Law Offices of Rohlfing & Kalagian, LLP, pursuant to the assignment executed by Wilhelmina E. Howard. Any payments made shall be delivered to Marc V. Kalagian.

This stipulation constitutes a compromise settlement of Wilhelmina E. Howard's request for EAJA attorney fees, and does not constitute an admission of liability on the part of Defendant under the EAJA or otherwise. Payment of the agreed amount shall constitute a complete release from, and bar to, any and all claims that Wilhelmina E. Howard and/or Marc V. Kalagian including Law Offices of Rohlfing & Kalagian, LLP may have relating to EAJA attorney fees in connection with this action.

This award is without prejudice to the rights of Marc V. Kalagian and/or the Law Offices of Rohlfing & Kalagian, LLP to seek Social Security Act attorney

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The parties do not stipulate whether counsel for the plaintiff has a cognizable lien under federal law against the recovery of EAJA fees that survives the Treasury Offset Program.

## fees under 42 U.S.C. § 406(b), subject to the savings clause provisions of the 1 2 EAJA. 3 DATE: December 11, 2017 Respectfully submitted, LAW OFFICES OF ROHLFING & KALAGIAN, LLP 4 5 /S/ Marc V. Kalagian BY: 6 Marc V. Kalagian Attorney for plaintiff Wilhelmina E. Howard 7 8 DATED: December 11, 2017 STEVEN W. MYHRE **Acting United States Attorney** 9 10 /S/ Asim Modi BY: 11 ASIM MODI Special Assistant United States Attorney 12 Attorneys for Defendant NANCY A. BERRÝHILL, Acting Commissioner of Social 13 Security (Per e-mail authorization) 14 15 16 **ORDER** 17 Approved and so ordered: 18 DATE: December 13, 2017 19 20 UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE 21 22 23 24 25 26

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1 PROOF OF SERVICE STATE OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES 2 3 I am employed in the county of Los Angeles, State of California. I am over 4 the age of 18 and not a party to the within action. My business address is 211 E. 5 Ocean Blvd., Ste. 420, Long Beach, CA 90802. 6 On this day of December 12, 2017, I served the foregoing document 7 described as STIPULATION FOR THE AWARD AND PAYMENT OF 8 ATTORNEY FEES AND EXPENSES PURSUANT TO THE EQUAL ACCESS 9 TO JUSTICE ACT, 28 U.S.C. § 2412(d) AND COSTS PURSUANT TO 28 U.S.C. 10 § 1920 on the interested parties in this action by placing a true copy thereof 11 enclosed in a sealed envelope addressed as follows: 12 Ms. Wilhelmina E. Howard 641 5th Street 13 Boulder City, NV 89005 14 I caused such envelope with postage thereon fully prepaid to be placed in the 15 United States mail at Long Beach, California. I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California 16 17 that the above is true and correct. 18 I declare that I am employed in the office of a member of this court at whose 19 direction the service was made. 20 Marc V. Kalagian TYPE OR PRINT NAME IS/Marc V. Kalagian 21 22 23 24 25

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## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE FOR CASE NUMBER 2:14-CV-01211-GMN-GWF

I hereby certify that I electronically filed the foregoing with the Clerk of the Court for this court by using the CM/ECF system on December 12, 2017.

I certify that all participants in the case are registered CM/ECF users and that service will be accomplished by the CM/ECF system, except the plaintiff served herewith by mail.

/s/Marc V. Kalagian

Marc V. Kalagian Attorneys for Plaintiff